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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
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SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT TWO NOTICES OF AWARD FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SODIUM REDUCTION INITIATIVE**

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on November 9, 2010 to accept future awards and/or amendments related to Notice of Award (NA) Number 1U58DP003061-01 that provide for additional funding and/or extension of the award term, as determined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and redirection of funding as needed, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

Under this authority, I will accept the following NAs from the CDC to continue support of the Los Angeles County Sodium Reduction Initiative:

1. Number 5U58DP003061-03, issued on June 21, 2012, in the amount of \$363,366 (\$356,366 in new dollars and \$7,000 of prior year unobligated funds) for the period of September 30, 2012 through September 29, 2013; and
2. Number 5U58DP003061-03 REVISED, issued on July 9, 2012, to correct a budgeting error and redirect \$29,000 from in-patient costs to the supplies budget category.

The purpose of the Sodium Reduction Initiative is to create healthier food environments by reducing sodium intake through implementation of population-based sodium reduction strategies. Reducing excess sodium consumption in the population is an important strategy to lower the rate of hypertension and the burden of cardiovascular disease, including heart disease and stroke.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the NAs as to use and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors